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Our estate single-vineyard Bentrock, Radian and Puerta del Mar wines are incredibly specific. They magnify singular flavors that exist on each particular site and are focused on a particular plot of soil. These wines zoom in on one specific set of parameters. They are ultimate wines of terroir.

Matt Dees, Winemaker Notes:

Lemon blossom and peach tart. Definitely in the world of our "divine margarita" style with so much lime, agave and mouthwatering sea salt. Lively and multifaceted. Bright as Sirius in the night sky. Almost vibrates with energy. Stays sleek and continuously surprises on the mid-palate. Chamomile floral notes and a stony character buoyed by acacia honey. Bottled a few months earlier to capture some of the natural co2 from the barrel fermentations. This adds more backbone and vigor. As always, the Puerta del Mar Vineyard tastes like the nearby Pacific Ocean with the brisk and powerful waves of flavor that pulse through this special small bottling from our home vineyard site.

Puerta Del Mar Vineyard Chardonnay

CASES: 202
 APPELLATION: Santa Barbara County
 VINE AGE: 15 years
 ALCOHOL: 13.0%
 BLOCKS: The Puerta del Mar Chardonnay block (clone 95)
 BARREL REGIME: 11 months in 33% new 228L French oak barrels and 67% used 228L French oak barrels.



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